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## MARGINAL COLUMN By SHAYA SHAPIRO

**France Creating 'Dead' Zone On Tunisia Border**

THERE was once a British VIP touring the country as guest of the Government, who insisted on travelling only in buses. His Foreign Ministry escorts were disgusted. We who know bus travel in Israel can sympathise with them. But it was the distinguished visitor who was right. For one gets to understand the people of the country much better while using public transport than by driving in a private car. It is not only that one can talk to one's neighbour and hear his ideas. Simplicity observing people's behaviour, many very interesting conclusions can be drawn.

FOR example, in almost every bus in Tel Aviv someone is bound to light a cigarette in front of the conductor, and the latter will say nothing. "Why should I, he would not listen to me," is his usual expression. If, out of curiosity, you ask the smoker "and we have made the experiment several times in the last few weeks": "Do you have to smoke?" he will most likely get annoyed and think out a sharp reply. If he is the quiet type, he will put out his cigarette and mumble: "Well, it annoys you ... More likely, he will shrug his shoulders, saying: "If you only knew what it means for a smoker to part with his cigarette..." But, most often, he will be outright rude: "What, are you also a copper?" Another frequent riposte is: "Is that the only law which is broken in this country? I've seen bus drivers smoking on the wheel. If you express your belief that rules are put up in buses in order to be obeyed, the gentlemen often get rude and threaten to "knock your block off."

**2 Israelis Kidnapped By Algerian Rebels**

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

**PARIS.** Wednesday (UPI).— Two Israeli, Jacob Hassen and Raphael Ben-guerra, were kidnapped by rebels on Monday while travelling in a taxi near Tiziaret, south-east of Algiers, it was officially reported today.

He about 50 kms. deep. The population would be evacuated, the area sown with mines and anyone seen there would be shot.

Prime Minister Galliard declared in the National Assembly today that the Government has no intention of allowing any of its rights regarding the port of Bizerte under existing treaties and agreements to be restricted.

He was replying to a motion moved by a right-wing Deputy, M. Jacques Israël, urging postponement of the present debate on the reform of the constitution until the Government had made an unambiguous declaration that it would not surrender its territories.

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As later modified by Mr. Israël, France, the U.S. and West Germany plan to arm their forces in the zone with nuclear weapons and not to pass nuclear weapons to the other countries concerned.

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He said that this would include installation and servicing of nuclear weapons "including launching sites for rockets."

**U.K. Ship Explodes Off Bahrain**

MANAMA, Bahrain, Wednesday (Reuters).— The 7,440-ton British merchant ship Selian exploded here tonight following a fire on board. An official spokesman said rescue ships were picking up survivors. The explosion shook houses eight kms. away.

**24 SEAMEN MISSING**

NORFOLK, Virginia, Wednesday (UPI).— Seven ships sailing storm-whipped waters off the North Carolina coast today for 24 Italian seamen lost when they were dumped from a lifeboat without a life vest.

The Coast Guard said the search had turned up no trace of the men since the American liner President Adams radioed earlier today the crewmen were spilled from the lifeboat before they could be hauled aboard the larger vessel. Three were rescued last night.

The ship, the Selian, was abandoned by its crew when she was crippled in a severe storm, was last reported still afloat but "down by the head," the Coast Guard said.

**Wide Gap in Parley Between Egypt, Suez Co.**

ROME, Wednesday (UPI).— Egypt and the old Suez Canal Company today exchanged widely diverging offers and claims for compensation arising from nationalization of the waterway by the world bank which is seeking to bridge the gap.

Representatives of the Egyptian Government and holding 400,000 shares in the national company met for the first time since the July 1956 takeover to present their cases.

The formal opening session lasted only 45 minutes, with two others of 15 and 20 minutes. It was during these two short meetings that Egypt and the shareholders' representatives read out statements outlining their positions.

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## Chinese Army to Quit North Korea by 1959

The Chinese "People's Volunteers" who fought in the Korean war against the U.N. are to withdraw completely from North Korea by the end of this year, with the first evacuation to begin on April 30, according to a joint Chinese-Korean announcement yesterday in Pyongyang, the North Korean capital.

No details of the new zone were made known after the Cabinet meeting beyond the fact that no one would be allowed to live in or travel through it.

M. Andre Fontaine, foreign editor of the independent "Le Monde," wrote today that some sources said the following would be known after the Cabinet meeting beyond the fact that no one would be allowed to live in or travel through it.

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He also said Russia would cease furnishing Poland, East Germany and Czechoslovakia with nuclear weapons, missiles and missile installations.

Western observers in Moscow said the announcement appeared to be an attempt to keep the Russian plan of the two Germanies from becoming a reality.

The joint statement said the visiting Chinese delegation headed by Premier Chou and a North Korean Government delegation had reached "fully identical views" on all

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## Churchill Down With Pleurisy

ROQUEBRUNE, Cap Martin (Wednesday (Reuters).— Sir Winston Churchill is suffering from pneumonia of the base of the lung and pleurisy, a medical bulletin announced tonight.

The bulletin, signed by Dr. Montague Browne, told reporters this includes his son, Mr. Randolph Churchill, at present in the U.S. and his two other daughters, in London. Miss Sarah Churchill flew here from Hollywood on January 7 and Lady Churchill arrived from London yesterday.

Lady Churchill and Sarah were at his bedside tonight.

Mr. Browne said Sir Winston was in "good spirits," and spent the day seeing members of his family and dealing with his correspondence.

He declined to say whether Sir Winston's condition was considered dangerous. But he added his refusal to answer did not mean the answer was yes.

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## Convoy Carries Replacements

The regular fortnightly supply convoy left yesterday for Mount Scopus with replacements for the half complement of police and caretaker personnel of the Israel zone.

They were accompanied by 15 members of the Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital staffs who returned to Jerusalem later in the day.

**Ready for 'Almost Any' Settlement, Macmillan Says**

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuters).— Prime Minister Macmillan, opening a two-day foreign affairs debate in the Commons today, said that at home and in Commonwealth countries he has just visited he felt a growing anxiety and readiness to grasp at almost any plan that would solve the conflict between Communism and the West.

It is understandable that the younger generation are worried by the dreary prospect that seems to lie ahead if this state of tension continues unabated and the conflicting pressures year by year. Somehow we must strike a balance between these two moods."

Mr. Macmillan said unilateral nuclear disarmament by the West would put it completely at the mercy of both sides abandoned nuclear weapons. It might again put the West at a fatal disadvantage if there was no possibility of a settlement of the Cyprus problem.

The British Foreign Secretary told the Commons yesterday he thought it was not possible to establish "common ground on which a settlement could be based."

The Labour leader said Marshal Bulganin's original proposal for an agenda were to be put to the summit of the Non-Aligned Conference.

"We believe our best hope lies in some preparatory work to lay down the procedure and to choose an agenda calculated to achieve concrete results on specific issues, and, secondly, to do some preliminary work in disentangling points of disagreement and revealing perhaps the most promising areas for possible agreement."

Mr. Macmillan said he saw disarray in the widest sense, as the subject which seemed likely to lead to some success at summit talks.

Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the Labour Opposition, asked why the Government had not agreed to immediate summit talks.

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## Sudan Charges Egyptian Troops Massing Along Northern Border

### Knesset Rejects Motions To Debate Arab State Mergers

The Knesset yesterday rejected a Herut motion for a debate on the recent political developments in the Middle East, and a Communist motion for a debate on the demilitarization of the area of atomic weapons.

Mr. Menachem Begin (Herut) said that the Egyptian-Syrian union meant in effect, Syria's inclusion in Egypt as the first step toward the expansion of Nasser's power.

The federation of the two Hellenic Kingdoms means the annexation of Israel of the area of Eretz Israel on the other side of the Rhodes line.

The Government's silence on the question might be interpreted abroad as an indication of its disinterest. But surely it is a matter of major importance to Israel if the IAF army in the near future would be stationed in Nablus, Jericho or Bethlehem or on the walls of Jerusalem.

Foreign Minister Golda Meir replied that the matter was of any kind of fact that the IAF army in the near future would be stationed in Nablus, Jericho or Bethlehem or on the walls of Jerusalem.

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### Khartoum Moves Up Army

The Sudan yesterday charged that Egypt is massing troops in two strategic border areas in an attempt to "bowbow" her into surrendering her sovereignty over the region. U.P. reported from Khartoum last night.

### Sudan Opposition Confuses Nasser

By GERDA L. COHEN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Informed observers suspect that the Sudan's prompt opposition to the proposed merger of the two Hellenic Kingdoms was to counteract the annexation of the northern Sudan areas claimed by Egypt.

The Minister of Social Affairs, Mohammed Abusin, said in Khartoum that Sudanese forces "have moved into action stations" to counter the Egyptian move.

The rising tensions were reported even before Cairo announced the deadlock in negotiations between the two countries. Cairo Radio said last night that the Sudanese Foreign Minister, Mohammed Mahgoub, began the third of a three-day meeting with Abd al-Nasser and other Egyptian Government leaders.

**Cairo Offer Rejected**

Cairo Radio reported tonight that the Sudan had rejected an Egyptian proposal on the frontier dispute between the two countries. The proposal was that "pending negotiations" should be held in the disputed area.

The Sudanese Minister of Social Affairs charged that the Egyptians had massed troops at Aswan, opposite the disputed area, and at Shaladim, opposite the Hailieh sector on the Red Sea coast.

According to the Anglo-Egyptian agreement of 1899 the Sudanese boundary is the Nubian, but it has not been fully demarcated.

Egypt's contention that the areas are politically hers might withstand legal dispute, but the timing of the claim is most unusual and is likely to be used by the anti-Egyptian party in the Sudan to the elections.

Nasser needs Sudanese support for the implementation of the Aswan dam, but the Sudan would not take any action regarding the Egyptian troops which had arrived in the disputed area of the 22nd parallel, together with Egyptian troops.

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Only the Communists supported the motion. But it was observed that the few Mapam and Ahдут Ha'avoda members present left before the vote, some of them returning afterwards.

### SYRIA SAYS MAC TIES ONLY THROUGH CAIRO

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee yesterday discussed foreign policy matters with the participation of the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, prior to her departure on a visit to France and West Africa.

It was decided to continue the discussions with the participation of the Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, who is to serve as Acting Foreign Minister in Mrs. Meir's absence.

At the close of the meeting, the chairman, Mr. M. Argov, took leave of the Foreign Minister in the name of the committee members.

**Foreign Aid Cuts Imply Higher Taxes, Heavier Draft, Ike Warns**

TOMASVILLE, Wednesday (UPI).— President Eisenhower today posed the prospect of higher taxes and heavier draft calls unless Congress approves his foreign aid programme.

The Chief Executive, from his vacation headquarters here, sent a special message to Congress today asking speedy action by the House and Senate "for the safety of our families."

The President is on his budget for fiscal 1959 requested nearly \$4,000,000,000 for his mutual security aid (MSA) programme.

He warned the Congress today in a sharply-worded message that failure to enact his programme might lead to a highly difficult situation with the Soviet Union.

Without the MSA programme, the President said there might be a severe dislocation and basic impairment of free world power.

He told Congress, "It is my duty to make clear my profound conviction that the full burden of the agreed military effort" and must have help.

The President broke down his \$3,942m. in required mutual security aid funds this way:

Military assistance to allied nations and associated nations weapons for NATO, Biased Pacific, Southeast Asia Treaty Organization and other allies \$1,500m.

Defence support to 12 free nations supporting "substantial military forces" of which 70 per cent would go to Korea, Nationalist China, Vietnam and Turkey \$835m.

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**Today's Postbag****The Weather**

**Postbag:** Fair with variable amount of clouds.

**Weather synopses:** A Red Sea trough extends over the eastern Mediterranean. A deep depression situated over South East Asia is moving slowly eastward.

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**ARRIVALS**

Mr. Fay Grove, Chairman of World Wide's Department of Organisation and Culture, from a six-month tour of South America.

Three World Health Organisation experts, Dr. A.W.A. Brown of Canada; Dr. F.W.P. Winstanley, of Slough, England; and Dr. Milani, of Rome.

**DEPARTURES**

Mr. S. Ganz, of the management of the Han Expatriates Works for Turkey, Switzerland, Germany and Austria (by Air France).

Mr. Efraim Illim, General Manager of Kaiser Fraser, Haifa, for Schenck's International business (Air France).

Mr. M. Ron, Secretary of the Journalists Association, for Brazil (by Alitalia).

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**YA'ACOV ARDON** of Jerusalem was yesterday sentenced to a month's imprisonment by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Haskin on charges of causing a disturbance in the office of the Jerusalem Labor Exchange and assaulting an employee of the exchange. The Magistrate also ordered him to serve an additional two months of a previous suspended sentence.

**SHMUEL FISHER**, of Jaffa, was yesterday fined IL200 and given a suspended sentence of four months by Tel Aviv Magistrate Dr. Y. Megor-Cohen on charges of stealing 15 kg. of tea from the Atzmon company.

**TEN YEARS AGO TODAY**

**The Struggle for Independence**

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**Agron Reaffirms Decision To Build Swimming Pool**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Municipal would build swimming pools throughout the city if it had the funds to do so. Mayor Gershon Agron yesterday told a delegation of 15 persons who called on him to request that the municipal administration stand firm in the matter of the pool in the German Colony.

He added that under the law, his Council or any Council, headed by a religious mayor or not, had to issue the licence for the swimming pool.

"We will not abandon our position of supporting the builders of the pools and any local undertaking which served the best interests of the city by attracting persons to it, would receive the wholehearted encouragement of the city, he went on.

The importance of the pool to the city, and especially to those persons who did not have the financial means to buy a swimming pool of their own, was stressed by Mr. Mordechai Schattner of Hevesi Yerushalayim (which yesterday printed an open letter asking that the pool be opened); Mrs. Miriam Fefer; Mrs. Ross Ginosar; and Mr. A. Kiebanoff.

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THE opposition raised by the Natorei Karta to the building in Jerusalem of a public swimming bath was not unexpected. This is a small sect of religious fanatics who do not recognize the State of Israel and its leaders do not hesitate to use violence, defy the Courts, or raise campaigns of abuse and hate abroad.

By themselves the Natorei Karta are a medieval relic whose atrocious lack of civic sense or respect for their fellows is accepted as part of the nation's tragic heritage from days of persecution. By themselves, they can do little more than vilify and insult policemen. But on this occasion, as often before, they have been joined in their campaign by representatives of organizations that claim normal citizenship rights, the Aguda and a section of the National Religious Party, which is a member of the Government Coalition. The Aguda cannot claim rights of extraterritoriality from both the law and reason, as do the Natorei Karta, and it is not acceptable for their representative on the Municipal Council to threaten the city with bloodshed if the plan for mixed bathing is not abandoned at their dictate.

One could better believe in the urgency of their plea, were it not for the fact that such pools exist in other areas where similar religious representatives sit on the Council. For example in Tel Aviv, one of the largest pools for mixed bathing in the country was approved by a City Council in which the religious elements form an essential part of the ruling coalition. We have here a very unfortunate form of pressure that is habitually exercised by the wholly non-conformist religious, such as the Natorei Karta, on those who are equally observant, but less intolerant of their fellows, such as the Aguda and Mizrahi. These two groups have time and again allowed themselves to be tricked and outmaneuvered by extremists for their own purposes, a process whose end can only be the weakening of their prestige and influence. Now they are engaged in inter-party talks among themselves in an attempt to find a common ground despite the division of opinion within the Mizrahi ranks. Thus the Knesset was yesterday spared the airing of a motion for the agenda on the subject, and the issue was postponed for a week.

It is difficult to know just what the Aguda and its associates are trying to enforce upon the majority of the people with their threats of bloodshed — certainly not religion. It is at best a ceremonialism which the majority respects to acknowledge or carry out. At its worst it sinks to the kind of prurience that has been uttered in connection with this swimming pool controversy.

But even the swimming pool issue is only a symptom of a much graver problem. For ten years Israel, under the leadership of the Prime Minister, has been trying to avoid an irreparable split in the nation with one half arrogating to itself the claim that it represents the spiritual truth of Judaism, while the other is either to be forced by every kind of pressure and blackmail to conform to the ritual demands of a self-assertive minority, or else to be declared beyond the pale, unfit and unclean. The tolerance and understanding extended to the religious groups in the first decade has led to an increase of pressure and interference in matters in no way concerned with religion. Latterly the struggle has overflowed into the economic field and does not seem likely to stop there. It would be a tragedy for Israel if the fatal disunity of the kultarkampf, so long postponed by the forbearance of the majority, were to be forced upon the nation at this hour which holds enough dangers of its own.

## ANOTHER SUEZ IN THE OFFING? Trouble Brewing in Morocco

By RICHARD MOWRIE

MADRID. — Is the Ifni war building up into another Suez crisis? Is it taking on an international twist that could, like Suez, disrupt Western unity and give new impetus to Arab nationalism's frenetic march?

Observers here are beginning to wonder. They discern in the Ifni situation ingredients similar to those which went into the making of the Suez fiasco 18 months ago. Namely:

1. Two Western powers, Spain and France, increasingly inclined to act in concert to protect their interests in the Saharan territories bordering on Morocco.

2. The United States, concerned about the status of its bases in Morocco, impressed by Arab nationalism in general, reportedly trying to restrain its Spanish ally from striking a blow to eliminate from the scene a troublesome element, the self-styled Saharan Army of Liberation which now holds most of the Ifni enclave and threatens other Spanish West African possessions.

3. The Moroccans, keeping American anxieties alive with warnings of dire consequences to follow any full-fledged military operation by the Spanish.

### African Problems

On the first point, the significant thing is that the French and Spanish have begun to see eye to eye on North African problems whereas two years ago they were completely at odds. At that time, before Moroccan independence, it was the Franco government's policy to cheer on the nationalist against the French in the hope of winning the eternal gratitude of the Moroccans. This policy failed completely. The Moroccans today are more deeply in conflict with the Spanish than they are with the French. The Spanish army, but observers here are

wondering if the big push will take place. For it seems that the U.S. has stepped into the picture. According to sources in position to know, Mr. Dulles has been warned by Mohammed V that if the Spanish launch their big attack against the Liberation army, then the King will be forced to give more rein to the Istiklal and perhaps even to the P.M. in favor of Crown Prince Moulay Hassan, who is reputed to be a Nasar admirer.

**Spain's Move**

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somewhere in the west Saharan war zone. If these reports are unfounded they are nonetheless interesting as a reflection of many Spaniards' line of thought these days.

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But will Spain hold back? More important, one she holds back? Her army, backbone of the Franco regime, is embittered and distressed by the turn of events in Morocco. The general and officers in command in Spanish West Africa are spoiling for a fight. They want to have it out with the Army of Liberation. They want a chance to win honour, glory, medals and promotion. If these men are restrained, might not their resentment turn against Madrid, and against the Generalissimo himself?

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and that is why we applied to them, as stated above. — DAN Bus Cooperative Tel Aviv, February 12.

### CUSTOMS EXAMINATION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post Sir. — With regard to the report in all papers that the Ministry of Posts is returning 100 pruta to an M.K. for an uncompleted call which he made at a public telephone, I should like to make what returns we the money which I am a humble subscriber to the telephone service, waste regularly through the faulty connections which the automatic inter-urban telephone lines give me? Only yesterday, the lines between Tel Aviv and Haifa did not work properly through some technical fault, and when I was dialling directly, very slowly, as the telephone service prescribes, I twice got a wrong number before I got the correct one.

This raises the following question: All foreign telephone services, government or privately operated, automatically deduct a certain amount of subscriber bills for possible faulty connections. How about instituting such a practice here? And, until such an arrangement exists, who will return to me the many 100 pruta I have wasted hitherto?

Yours etc.

TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBER

(Name and Address Supplied)  
Tel Aviv, January 15.

### BUSES AT MANN AUDITORIUM

Editor, The Jerusalem Post Sir. — Every time I come to the Fredric Mann Auditorium, there is a bus. The bus is parked — sometimes it's the first, sometimes it's in the middle and sometimes it is the last. Secondly, everybody asks the conductor which route the bus will be taking on my way. The conductor (usually the driver himself) who often enters the bus a second before it leaves the station, has to answer the same question 40 or 50 times.

I think the solution is very simple: First of all, the buses should always stand at the same places. Secondly, the bus route should be put up in a conspicuous place.

Yours etc.

LIIZZI RUBIN

Tel Aviv, January 22.

### Dan Bus Company Reply

Your correspondent's complaint is justified. We applied to the Municipality for the necessary space for the allocation of space for public stations in the vicinity of the Mann Auditorium and we

assure you that our application will be granted soon. We shall also be able to attach the proper signs, and errors will be avoided. We should point out that we do not have the right to fix stations according to our own judgment. For this purpose we must have the confirmation of the Municipality.

Yours etc.

ANDREAS MEYER

Nahariya, January 1.

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## KEEPING POSTED

OUR grocer is a man who never wraps a bit of herring in a piece of old magazine without reading it first. Sometimes you have to wait a moment while he just finishes the last paragraph or two. In 20 years of this he has absorbed as much information as his customers have eaten herring and he hands out his information liberally. He was talking about swimming pools to an

other customer as we came in. The Natorei Karta just don't like swimming" he said hastily. "or bathing either, by the look of them. But this time they're right for once. I'm all against swimming pools myself. They're full of atoms. The water is full of atoms. It gets heavy all that dirt, probably — and then it picks to the bottom and they make it into atomic energy." Swimming pool reactors they call them. There was a long bit about "Life". Have a pool here, without a roof, and we'll all be poisoned with atomic gases. Bad enough for those children to be poisoned with cocaine poor mites, we don't have to give them gases, too."

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**AN optimist has pointed** out to us that the Iraq Jordan Federation instrument was his in the Foreign Office 14, and that it is to be celebrated in the Old City after the lapse of 90 days the resulting *Quds* will fall on May 14. On this day the establishment of the State of Israel is also due to be celebrated, as the tenth anniversary in accordance with the Geneva Convention. Would this not be an occasion, he suggests hopefully, for both sides to get together and exchange good wishes over the walls?

**THIS paper is never happy** when it is caught with a misprint showing through it is not the misprints that trouble our sleep, but the errors. The "Times" of London, however, used to go so far as to offer a prize to anyone who could find a printing error. Paid out of the proof reader's salaries. In a recent issue they went to charge brought by a suburb of Nottingham against three boys who broke a window deliberately. The fathers were ordered to appear at the Council's offices with their sons. The last paragraph reads:

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An acquaintance who travelled by bus to Jerusalem reports that as she entered the vehicle she noticed an old man with a family in confusion. The mother was helping a little boy of about four, and the father was pushing a pram through the crowd. They spoke no Hebrew and had some difficulty

As there are currency regulations in this country, and smuggling has surely taken place in many instances, I do not mind being searched. But I do mind being treated not only as a suspect but as a convict. I even mind if a convict is treated in this way. The man did not offer one word of explanation, he did not once say "please" or "thank you," which would have made quite a difference. He could have commanded. It even would have made a difference if he were dressed as becomes an official of our Government.

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she was glad to see that they were still in the bus later. The pram was lowered away on the roof and she noticed that there did not seem to be a baby. She wondered idly whether, perhaps, the boy could not walk for some reason, or whether the family just used it to hold their children. The man again, and she peered inside. There was a baby strapped in another pram on top of the bus, but safe and sound.

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